Service Date: September 7, 1978

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application) of CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE of the) WEST for authority to revise tariff schedules.

DOCKET NO. 6599 ORDER NO. 4446

On September 9, 1977, the CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE of the WEST (Applicant) filed Advice No. 10 for a tariff revision with the Montana Public Service Commission, requesting that the Commission, pursuant to jurisdiction granted by Section 70-101 et seq., RCM 1947, AUTHORIZE A TARIFF REVISION TO PROVIDE RATES, CHARGES AND CONDITIONS FOR THE T202S L1/2 DATA SET AND THE 565 DATA AUXILIARY SET AND MAKE TEXTUAL CHANGES WHERE NECESSARY, DUE TO THE ABOVE REVISIONS.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A notice of public hearing to be held, if requested, was published in the follwing newspapers on August 7, 1978, or as soon as possible thereafter: The Billings Gazette, Billings, MT; The Missoulian, Missoula, MT; Bozeman Chronicle, Bozeman, MT; The Madisonian, Virginia City, MT; Montana Standard, Butte, MT and the Great Falls Tribune, Great Falls, MT. The notices stated that if no requests for a public hearing were requested

by August 31, 1978, the Commssion would consider the matter and a default order would be issued.

- 2. No requests for a hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.
- 3. The Applicant alleges that the filing is intended to satisfy the present customer requests for the mentioned equipment.
- 4. The Applicant alleges that the rates and charges are based on estimated full cost to the utility.
- 5. The Applicant alleges that this filing will not increase any rate or charge, cause the withdrawal of any service nor conflict with any schedule or rule.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.
 - 2. The new tariffs are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The following is approved:

SCHEDULE NO. AA Preliminary Statement

Second Revised Sheet No. 1 First Revised Sheet No. 4

SCHEDULE NO. A-12 Data Subset Service

Original Sheet No. 1

Original Sheet No. 2

Original Sheet No. 3

Original Sheet No. 4

2. The filed tariffs shall be effective for telephone service rendered after September 6 , 1978.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 6th Day of September, 1978, by a $5\,$ - $0\,$ vote.

BY ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Gordon E. Bollinger, Chairman

P./J. Gilfeather, Commissioner

Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Madeline L. Cottrill

Secretary

James R. Shea, Commissioner

George Turman, Commissioner

(SEAL)

NOTICE:

You are entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion For Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this Order. If a Motion For Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purpose of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. The Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Section 82-4216, RCM 1947; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.2(64)-P2750, ARM.